

NEW ZEALAND'S FESTIVAL OF EDUCATION

Celebrating excellence in education: Innovation, collaboration and achievement in our profession and our communities.

The New Zealand Youth Mentoring Network is delighted to announce our involvement in the upcoming Festival of Education being held in Auckland and Christchurch.

The festival has been developed by Cognition Education in partnership with the Ministry of Education, supported by Education New Zealand and a wide range of commercial, central and local government organisations.

The Network warmly invite you to a special interactive chat room session being hosted by:

Dr Pat Bullen, lecturer in youth development at The University of Auckland and recipient of the 2014 Vodafone World of Difference Fellowship.

Pat's topic for discussion is:

Growing Collaborative Learning Communities through Community-Tertiary Partnerships in Youth Mentoring.

Drawing on a recent three-week visit to the United States, Pat will share what she has learned about community-tertiary partnerships, service learning, and youth mentoring. The purpose of this interactive workshop will be to present recent advances in this area in the United States and discuss their relevance to Aotearoa New Zealand.

AUCKLAND

Friday 21 March, Viaduct Event Centre
Chat Room 2, Level 2, 2.00pm – 3.00pm

CHRISTCHURCH

Sunday 23 March, Wigram Airforce Museum
Morrison Room, 4.00pm – 5.00pm



BIOGRAPHY

Dr Pat Bullen is a lecturer in youth development at The University of Auckland. Her research and teaching focuses on the factors that contribute to thriving during adolescence.

Over the past two years, Pat has developed a course teaching theory and research in the area of youth mentoring. Partnering with the Great Potentials Foundation, the course includes a 'service-learning' component where students must complete a 50 hour internship, mentoring a Year 8 student from a decile one school.

Pat is the first academic to be awarded the Vodafone World of Difference Fellowship. The main Objective of her Fellowship is to enhance the quality and reach of youth mentoring in Aotearoa New Zealand, by linking youth mentoring with tertiary service learning courses, improving networking and communication within the sector and developing evidence-based practice.

Receiving this Fellowship will give Pat the opportunity to further develop her youth mentoring expertise through examining models overseas and developing strategies and resources to advance the establishment of more community-tertiary partnerships throughout New Zealand. To achieve this, she will be working closely with the New Zealand Youth Mentoring Network.